

**PATENT****IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF: BRENNER AND WILLIAMS
SERIAL NO.: 09/756,830
FILED: January 8, 2001
FOR: ENZYMATIC SYNTHESIS OF OLIGONUCLEOTIDE TAGS

EXAMINER: Gibbs, T.

ART UNIT: 1635

CONFIRMATION NO: 6856

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Prior to examination, and in response to the Communication mailed September 24, 2003, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments.

No fees are believed due with this communication. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge any deficiency in fees herein to Deposit Account No. 50-2207.